CDF CMEX UPGRADE

STRUCTURAL AND MECHANICAL DESIGN

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The CMEX (Central Muon Extension) Upgrade is a complex structure consisting of an outer support frame (blue in color), an inner conical frame (yellow in color), and aluminum, pie-shaped muon chambers with a scintilator cover surrounding each chamber. The previous version of CMEX called for a supporting frame and inner frame to house 6 muon chambers. 3 additional chambers were to be hung from the ceiling in the collision hall at CDF. However, due to additional placement of dirt on top of the collision hall, it was not permitted to add additional loads to the ceiling. A new approach was needed.

The CMEX project took a different turn when it was decided to increase the number of mounted chambers on the rolling base from 6 chambers to a possible 9. This change required a redesign of the outer supporting frame as well as a new stress analysis based on a 3D finite element model of the entire structure. Also, stability became an issue of even greater concern since the height of this frame would be increased but the width of the base would not. Sizing of frame members would need to be looked at again as well as bolted joint connections. Also, additional weight would need to be added to the base to help lower the center of gravity.

On a positive note, extending the frame to accommodate 3 more chambers would be easier than designing from scratch the previous concept of ceiling mounted chambers. Assembly would be easier and the integrity of the physics would be maintained with the 9 chamber "Super Cone" design. However, the disadvantage would then be that the entire structure would have to be lifted from one elevation to another higher elevation inside the collision hall. This poses a slight problem that will be solved by CDF personnel.

In general, this packet investigates the effects of an increased number of chambers and verifies that the new design concepts meet AISC codes.

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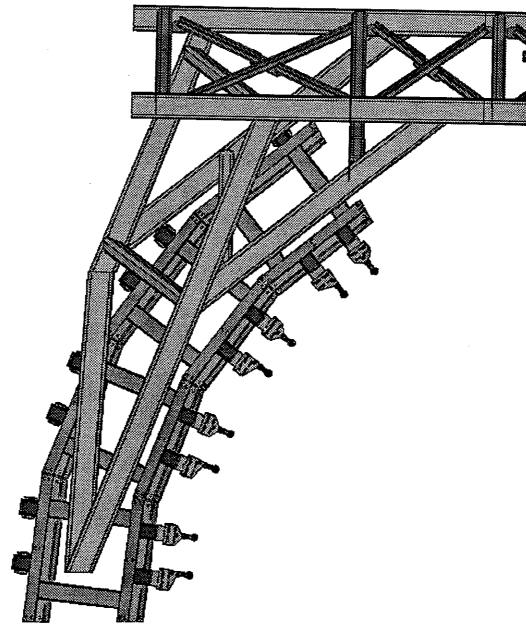
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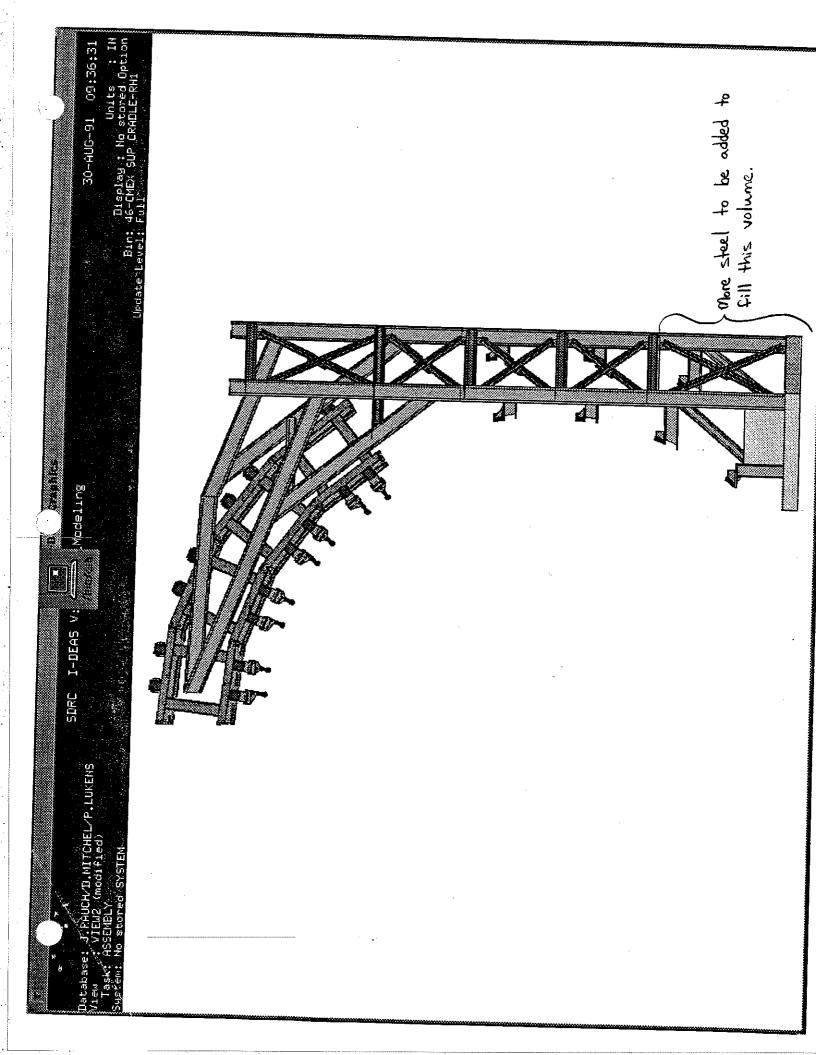
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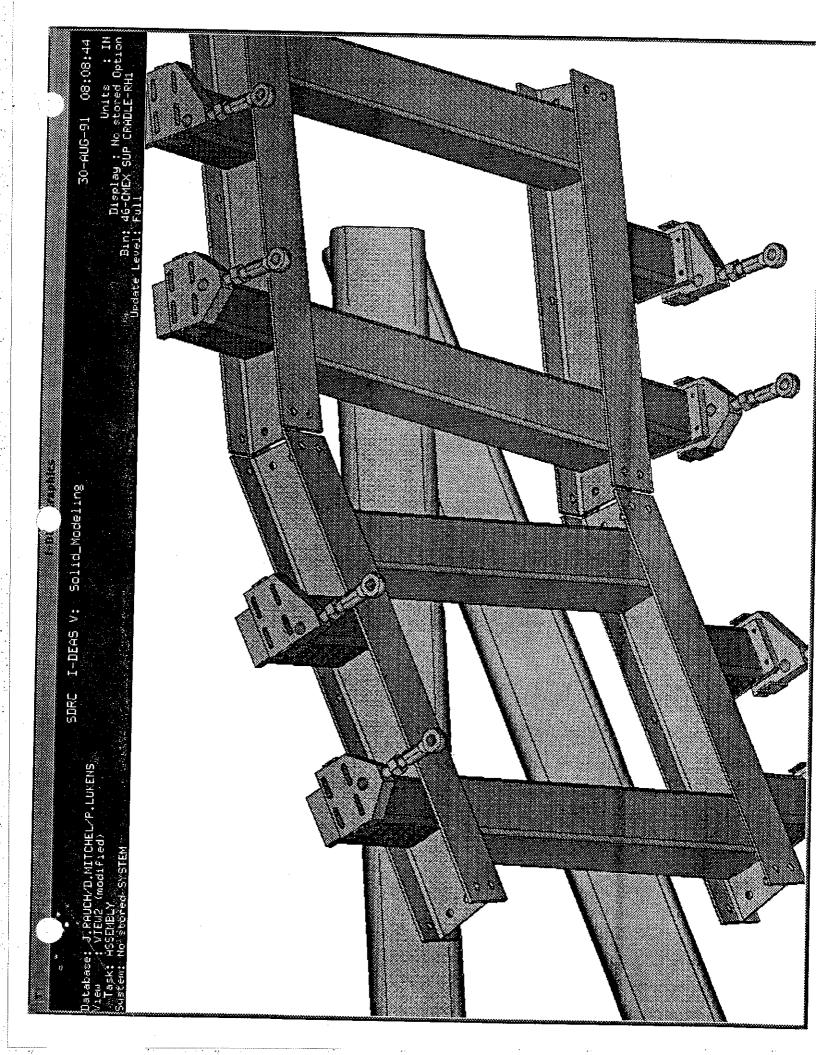
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